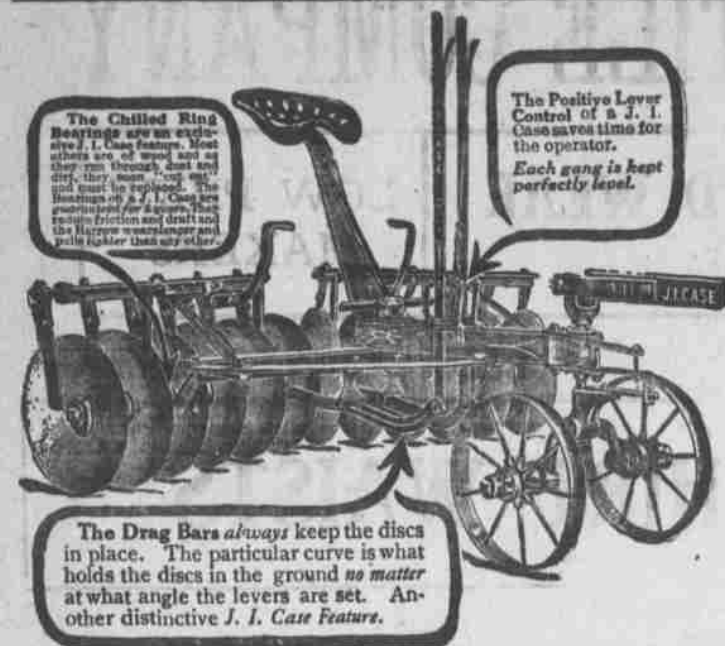


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Late and Early Blooming Varieties of Fruit Trees

Every spring throughout the southwest there is a large amount of damage done to fruit plantations by the late spring frosts which come after the trees have bloomed. While practically all of the different varieties of fruits are more or less subject to spring frost injury there are some varieties that are safer than others. This is because they bloom later in the spring.

As a general rule the earliest blooming fruit trees may be found among the apricots, peaches, almonds and Japanese plums. The Japanese plums bloom much too early to be dependable as an orchard fruit in New Mexico. Many people plant varieties of Japanese plums because they have been represented to them as being very fine fruit. While this is true as far as the fruit goes, they bloom too early in the spring to be of much value as an orchard fruit and should not be planted.

In the case of the native of American plums there are a number of them that have been found to be too late bloomers, much more so than the Japanese plums. Some of these are the Wild Goose, Wayland, Omaha, and Golden Beauty.

The European group of plums are the surer bearers in New Mexico. These, as a rule, bloom as late, and some of them, later than the apples. A good list of late blooming European plums are the Jefferson, Coe's Golden Drop, Imperial Gage, Pond's Seedling, German Prune, Yellow Egg and Italian Prune.

In the peaches, it has been found that, as a rule, the early ripening varieties bloom later than the late ripening peaches in most of the New Mexico districts, and for this reason the early ripening peaches are surer bearers than the late ripening varieties. In the planting of peaches this feature should be given consideration in the selection of varieties. For example, the Elberta peach is one of the poorest bearers because it is one of the earliest bloomers in the spring. It fails to produce a full crop oftener than almost any other common variety. On the other hand such varieties as the Alexander and Hyne's Surprise, which ripen about thirty days earlier than the Elberta, bloom from ten to fifteen days later and consequently are surer bearers.

Most of the apricot varieties are early bloomers. A few of them are found to bloom about the time the Elberta peach blooms. Hardly ever do the apricot varieties produce what is considered a full commercial crop, simply because they are killed by the spring frosts. During recent years some of the nurserymen have been advertising the Tilton apricot, which is supposed to be a late blooming variety. This variety is now being tested under New Mexico conditions and it is hoped that it will prove to be fairly safe.

The cherries, as a rule, are late blooming and are pretty sure bearers. Many of the varieties bloom as late, and some of them later, than the apples. Some of the late blooming sour cherries are the Early Richmond, Montmorency, English Morello, and

Ostheim. Many of the sweet cherries are also late bloomers but they are not so well adapted to New Mexico conditions as the sour varieties.

The pears vary somewhat in their blooming period. Some varieties are early bloomers, while others are late bloomers. In the selection of varieties this matter should be considered. The Le Conte, Kieffer, Hybrid Kieffer, Vermont Beauty are among the earlier bloomers, while the D'Anjou, Bartlett, Winter Nelis, Winter Bartlett, and Duchess are among the late varieties. In the case of the pear, the blooming of the varieties is also of importance from the cross pollination feature. For best results in cross pollination, the varieties should bloom at about the same time.

The apples bloom late. While there is not very much difference between the varieties, the Red June, Early Harvest and Yellow Transparent are slightly earlier bloomers than the Jonathan, Belleflower and King David. The Winesap and Mammoth Black Twig are a little later in blooming than the Jonathan, while the Arkansas Black and Rome Beauty are still later. These two varieties are the latest blooming apples that have been thoroughly tested.

The question of the time of blooming of any variety is of considerable importance in the growing of fruit in the state and it should be given more attention than most people give it. There are too many trees planted of the early blooming varieties of fruit.

"SHOTGUN MARY" IS FREE

Mary Goodin, familiarly known in Union county as "Shotgun Mary" because of her habit of using a shotgun to enforce her desires in the section in which her ranch is located, was released from the state penitentiary today, after being an inmate of the prison since March 27, last. She is 55 years of age, and was convicted in September, 1913, of assault with a deadly weapon, but sentence was suspended pending good behavior. Some time later, however, she was accused of cutting a neighbor's fence, and early last year Judge Lieb ordered her taken to the penitentiary. Her behavior in the penitentiary has been exemplary and as a result her term has been considerably reduced.

Her conviction of assault with a deadly weapon resulted from threatening Michael Jones, a road supervisor, who was attempting to open a road through her ranch, about eight miles from Clayton. Jones formerly was a railroad conductor and lost both legs in a wreck, and as a result now wears artificial limbs. When Mrs. Goodin confronted him with a shotgun he was unable to run, as many other men had done under similar circumstances, and he proceeded to "blarney" Mrs. Goodin out of the notion of pulling the trigger. However, when he finally made his escape in safety and returned to Clayton about the first thing he did was to file a complaint against the woman, and her arrest and conviction followed.

R. H. Holt, a prominent ranchman from near Buoyeros, is in town this week meeting friends and looking after business.

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CLAYTON, NEW MEXICO

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On streets of Clayton Tuesday, a. m. Ladies black pocket book or hand-bag containing Package Miles Pain Pills, Black Veil, Pkg. black Fringe, Ladies Gold ring with 3 Garnet sets one of which was lost out. Finder please leave at this office or E. U. Jacobs, Mt. Dora New Mexico.

NOTICE OF CONTEST

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office, Clayton, N. M., February 25th, 1916.

To Anna Bell Bingham, (C-5922) of Clayton, N. M., Contestee: You are hereby notified that Aubrey C. Lehr, who gives Clayton, N. M., as his post-office address, did on January 31, 1916, file in this office his duly corroborated application to contest and secure the cancellation of your homestead entry, serial No. 018395, made August 31, 1914, for E 1-2 Section 20, Township 26n., Range 33e., N. M. P. Meridian, and as grounds for his contest he alleges that Anna Bell Bingham has failed to comply with the requirements of the law as to residence, improvements and cultivation, and has abandoned said land for more than six months last past.

And that she has filed said land and is not the head of a family, as she is a married woman and living with her husband, in the same community and has no divorce.

You are, therefore, further notified that the said allegations will be taken as confessed, and your said entry will be canceled without further right to be heard, either before this office or on appeal, if you fail to file in this office within twenty days after the FOURTH publication of this notice, as shown below, your answer, under oath, specifically responding to these allegations of contest, together with due proof that you have served a copy of your answer on the said contestant either in person or by registered mail.

You should state in your answer the name of the post office to which you desire future notices to be sent to you.

PAZ VALVERDE, Register.
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NOTICE OF CONTEST

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office, Clayton, N. M., February 25, 1916.

To Ross McKinney, (C-5917) of Sedan, N. M., Contestee.

You are hereby notified that Clarence Wallace, who gives Sedan, New Mexico, as his post-office address, did on January 28th, 1916, file in this office his duly corroborated application to contest and secure the cancellation of your Homestead Entry, Serial No. 014524, made April 23, 1912, for S 1-2 SW 1-4, Section 10, Township 21n., Range 36e., N. M. P. Meridian, and as grounds for his contest he alleges that Ross McKinney has failed to comply with the requirements of the law as to residence, improvements and cultivation and has never established residence upon said land, and has abandoned said land for more than six months last past.

You are, therefore, further notified that the said allegations will be taken as confessed, and your said entry will be canceled without further right to be heard, either before this office or on appeal, if you fail to file in this office within twenty days after the FOURTH publication of this notice, as shown below, your answer, under oath, specifically responding to these allegations of contest, together with due proof that you have served a copy the name of the postoffice to which ant either in person or by registered mail.

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